PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated December 5, 2006. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1-8 and 12 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected Claims 9-11.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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